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For: MEDICATED STENT HAVING MULTI-
LAYER POLYMER COATING

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed July 12, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendment and reply.

It is not believed that any extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those otherwise provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby requested and any fees required therefore or other fee deficiency are hereby authorized to be charged, and any overpayments credited to, Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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